

Cherry Blossom Branches



Cut brown wire into 6 or more individual pieces about 1 ½ to 2” long
On plain white paper, print out the pink blossom PDF printie on both sides of the paper.

If you want more white blossoms and a bigger mix of colors you can leave one side white

Punch out a large quantity of the blossom petals – I prefer the 3 blossom punch for several reasons.

It is a smaller blossom

It punches 3 at a time so less work punching

It also makes great Geraniums and Hydrangea flowers. So more bang for your buck.



Lay out a paper towel and using your mister bottle spray it with water. Lay your punches out on the damp towel and gently press them into the damp surface. Now mist them with water. (Warning the pressure

of your mister will make you petal fly all over the place if sprayed on a flat surface. That is why they are placed on a damp towel before misting them. It keeps them damp and keeps them from flying away.)

Now pick up a petal and either in your fingers or on a sponge mat like a computer mouse pad press the stylus in the center of the petal to cup it. It might take a few tries but figure out your best technique to make a tight cup around the end of the stylus then pull the blossom off and set aside to dry. It will hold the shape when dry. I personally like to do the cupping part between my fingers by giving it a small twist around the stylus and then popping the cupped blossom off the stylus. Others prefer to do it with a twisting motion on the mouse pad. Everyone finds a method that works best for them.



Now let your creativity go and glue the blossoms onto the wire starting on the end of the wire and filling in down the stem with blossoms on all sides of the wire. The size of your vase or container will determine how far down the stem you fill in the branch with blossoms.

I have done the branches 2 ways.

I either create loose branches as I talked about above , then arrange them in a container or the method I often use is this one.

Glue the brown wire stems into you container and let them dry creating a bare branch arrangement. You can do this before making the blossoms so it gives them lots of drying time.

Bend and shape the bare branches to fill in the container and get a balanced look. Now use your tweezers to pick up each blossom, dip into the glue, and glue onto the branch. With this method you can see how full your arrangement is getting and where you have bald spots. Be generous with your blossoms as the trees are usually bursting with a great quantity of blossoms and color.